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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH PRESIDENT AMIN

MAIN POINTS MY HOUR AND FIFTEEN MINUTE MEETING WITH PRESIDENT AMIN
AT VILLA SOMALIA 4PM FRIDAY SEPT 19 FOLLOW:

1; TRAVEL TO UNITED STATES - PRESIDENT, HIS WIFE AND FOUR OR FIVE
CHILDREN WILL ARRIVE NYC IN GULFSTREAM II AT 11:00 AM (LOCAL) WED.,
OCT. 1. AMIN WILL ADDRESS GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT AFTERNOON (TIME
UNKNOWN), FOLLOWING WHICH PRESIDENT PLANNING REMAIN US THREE OR
FOUR DAYS. ALL ARRANGEMENTS NYC BEING COORDINATED BY JUGANDA UN DEL
AND BY HONORARY CONSUL CHUCK HANNER, VP PAIGE AIRWAYS, AND UGANDA
EMBASSY WASH. DELEGATION OF 300 PEOPLE INCLUDING ONE HUNDRED
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FIFTY UGANDAN DANCERS WILL PRECEDE PRESIDENT TO NYC VIA COMMERCIAL

CARRIER AND HIS C-130 WHICH ARRIVING KAMPALA SEPT 23. PRESIDENT PLANNING FUEL STOPS IN ALGERIA, UK, IRELAND, AND CANADA (NEWFOUNDLAND).

2. MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD - PRESIDENT SAID HE WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD, WHICH HE HOPES POSSIBLE; I SAID I WOULD CONVEY THIS TO APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES.

3. SECURITY - PRESIDENT ASSUMED ADEQUATE SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS WOULD BE PROVIDED; ASSURED HIM THIS WAS CASE.

4. CURRENT VISIT SOMALIA - PRESIDENT SIAD HE CONFERRING WITH BROTHER AFRICAN, WHOSE EXPERIENCE AS MOST RECENT OAU CHAIRMAN HE VALUED HIGHLY, IN ORDER HELP HIM CARRY OUT HIS MANDATE (GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADDRESS) IN MOST APPROPRIATE MANNER. NOTED HE PLANNED CONSULT OTHER HEADS OF STATE PRIOR DEPARTURE FOR NYC.

5. US/UGANDAN RELATIONS - PRESIDENT HOPED NORMALIZE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. SAID WE HAD EVERY REASON RESTAFF US EMBASSY KAMPALA SINCE AS PAST IS HISTORY AND HE NOW HOPES FOR INCREASE IN JOINT VENTURES WITH US COMPANIES.

6. RELATIONS WITH NEIGHBORS - PRESIDENT EVADED RESPONSE MY QUESTION THIS SUBJECT OTHER THAN SAY HE HAD ACQUIRED ARMS FROM ONLY SOURCE AVAILABLE, USSR, AND WAS WELL EQUIPPED RESIST AGGRESSION FROM NEIGHBORS, BUT, UNLIKE OTHERS IN EAST AFRICA, UGANDA'S DEVELOPMENT IS BASED ON TOTAL INDEPENDENCE INDIVIDUAL UGANDANS AND IN TURN NATION AND IS NOT AND NEVER WILL BE CAUGHT UP IN SOCIALIST OR COMMUNIST SYSTEMS OF GOVERNMENT LED BY RUSSIA, CHINA OR AFRICAN SOCIALISTS.

7. ANGOLA - PRESIDENT HOPES MEET WITH THREE LIBERATION GROUP LEADERS AND NINE AFRICAN RECONCILIATION (MIC) COMMISSIONERS (HE REFUSED DIVULGE NAMES PRIOR OAU ANNOUNCEMENT) BEFORE DEPARTING NYC IN ORDER HELP RESOLVE TRAGEDY FACING ANGOLAN PEOPLE.

8. CIA - PRESIDENT SAID HE TOTALLY SATISFIED AGENCY NOT NOW NOR NEVER HAD ENGAGED IN ANY PLOTS ASSASSINATE FOREIGN GOVT OFFICIALS OR REVOLUTIONARY LEADERS. COINUING, QUOTE: AFTER ALL MR. AMBASSADOR, CIA PROVIDED BASIC TRAINING UGANA SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE SERVICES AND BELIEVE ME MY SERVICES ARE EXCELLENT. CONFIDENTIAL

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UNQUOTE.

COMMENT - A TOTALLY RELAXED PRESIDENT TOOK EVERY OPPORTUNITY THROUGHOUT OUR MEETING PRAISE AMERICA, AMERICANS, OUR TECHNOLOGY (BEST IN WORLD), OUR SINCERITY IN CARING FOR PEOPLE, OUR PROMPT AND EFFECTIVE RESPONSES TO HUMANITARIAN REQUIREMENTS WORLD-WIDE, WINDING UP WITH THE HOPE THAT UGANDA WOULD SEE A SIZEABLE INCREASE IN AMERICAN INVESTMENT IN HIS COUNTRY.

RISING AND ANNOUNCING HE WAS NOW GOING SWIMMING IN THE INDIAN
OCEAN, THE MEETING ENDED. MEMCON FOLLOWS.
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